PPI MD retires

KARACHI, Dec 31: Fazal Qureshi, managing director and chief editor of PPI, is due to retire from PPI with effect from Jan 1 after an association of 41 years with the organization, 21 years as managing director.

The management and staff members of PPI gave a farewell reception for Mr Qureshi on Wednesday at PPI Karachi office. Owais Aslam Ali, chairman of PPI, and other senior colleagues paid glowing tributes to him for his contribution to making PPI a truly independent national news agency.

Mr Qureshi joined PPI as a correspondent when it was founded by Muazzam Ali in 1958. He worked in different positions, including those of chief reporter and chief news editor, and was appointed managing director and chief editor in 1977.

He worked as foreign correspondent for PPI in Beirut, Baghdad, Cairo and London for many years. In Pakistan he also worked as correspondent for The Times, London, The Economist and Asiaweek. Since 1966 he had been a correspondent for Newsweek, a job he still hold.